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SUBJECT: SYRIAN DEMARCHE ON ISRAELI ACTIONS IN WEST BANK/GAZA

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- 1. SYRIAN CHARGE, ON INSTRUCTIONS, CALLED ON NEA/ARN DIRECTOR ON AUGUST 18 TO PRESENT SYRIAN STATEMENT CONDEMNING ISRAELI DECISION TO EXTEND SERVICES TO WEST BANK AND GAZA INHABITANTS. STATEMENT WAS IDENTICAL TO THAT PREVIOUSLY CARRIED BY FBIS.
- 2. WE INFORMED CHARGE THAT DEPARTMENT PRESS SPOKESMAN AT NOON BRIEFING WOULD BE MAKING STATEMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT AS WELL AS ON THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH THREE NEW SETTLEMENTS.

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3. CHARGE INQUIRED ABOUT REPORTS THAT ATHERTON IN ON-THE-RECORD BRIEFING WITH NEWSMEN HAD IN FACT PRESENTED SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT POSITION ON U.S. ATTITUDE ON AMENDING OR SUPERSEDING 242. WE SAID THERE WAS NO FOUNDATION FOR THIS SPECULATION. A STATEMENT HAD BEEN POSTED IN THE PRESS ROOM MAKING THIS CLEAR. THE U.S. WOULD FIRMLY OPPOSE ANY EFFORT TO AMEND OR CHANGE THE MEANING OF 242 THROUGH A NEW

SC RESOLUTION, AND WOULD VOTE AGAINST SUCH A RESOLUTION.
AMONG OTHER REASONS, ISRAEL HAS ACCEPTED 242 AND IT
COULD NOT BE GUARANTEED IT WOULD ACCEPT A NEW RESOLUTION.
CHARGE SAID THIS ARGUMENT HAD NOT OCCURRED TO HIM. VANCE

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